Texas Military Department Informational Briefing

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Commander, Texas Army National Guard

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Texas Military Forces

State

Defense Support to Civil Authorities (DSCA)

- Humanitarian Assistance/ Disaster Relief (HA/DR)
  - ✓ Hurricanes, Flooding
  - ✓ Wildfires, Ice Storms
- Medical Support
  - ✓ Operation Lone Star
  - ✓ Rabies Eradication—DSHS
- Assisting At-Risk Youth Programs
  - ✓ ChalleNGe/Star Base
- Homeland Security
  - ✓ Border/Shores/Highways
  - ✓ Operation Border Star—LEA
  - ✓ CDAE (Counter Drug Aviation Element)
- **Homeland Defense**

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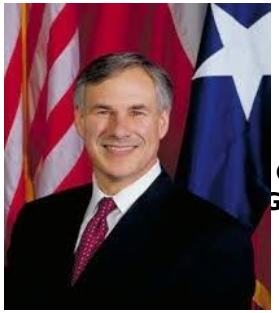
Homeland Defense

- Augment Combatant Commands
  - CENTCOM
  - PACOM
  - EUCOM
  - NORTHCOM
  - SOUTHCOM
  - AFRICOM
- Partnership Programs
  - ✓ Peace Prairie (Singapore)
  - ✓ Czech Republic
  - ✓ Republic of Chile
- NORTHCOM-SEDENA Support
- Libyan Delegation
- SWB Support

Can be Federalized (Title 10)

Texas Military Department

Organization and Leadership



Commander in Chief
Governor Greg Abbott

Senior Enlisted Advisor
CSM Weedon

The Adjutant General
Maj Gen John Nichols

Chief of Staff
COL Greg Chaney

Commander, TXARNG
MG Len Smith

Commander, TXANG
Maj Gen Ken Wisian

Commander, TXSG
MG Gerald “Jake” Betty

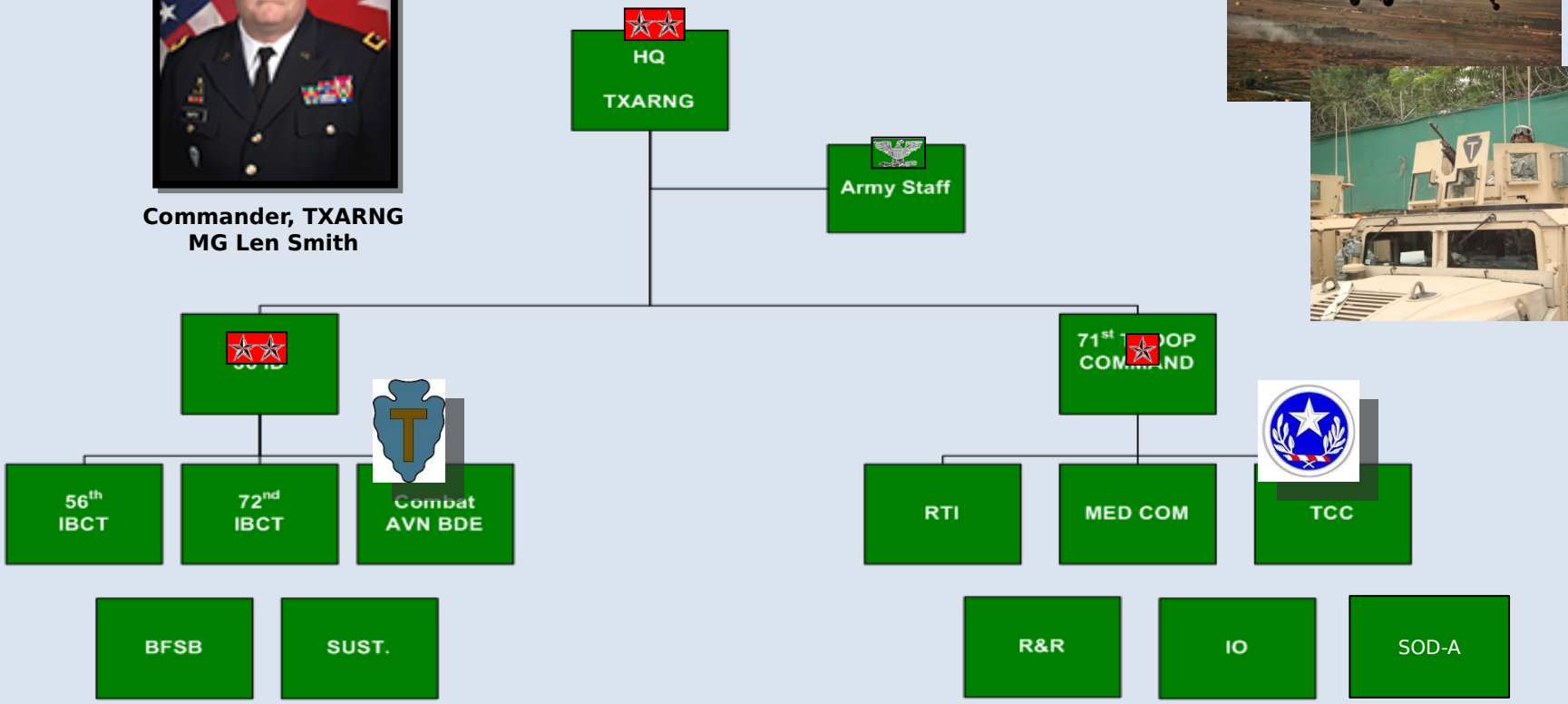
Commander, DOMOPS TF
BG Pat Hamilton

Director TXMD
Mr. Duane Waddill

Texas Army National Guard Units

Commander, TXARNG
MG Len Smith

15,081



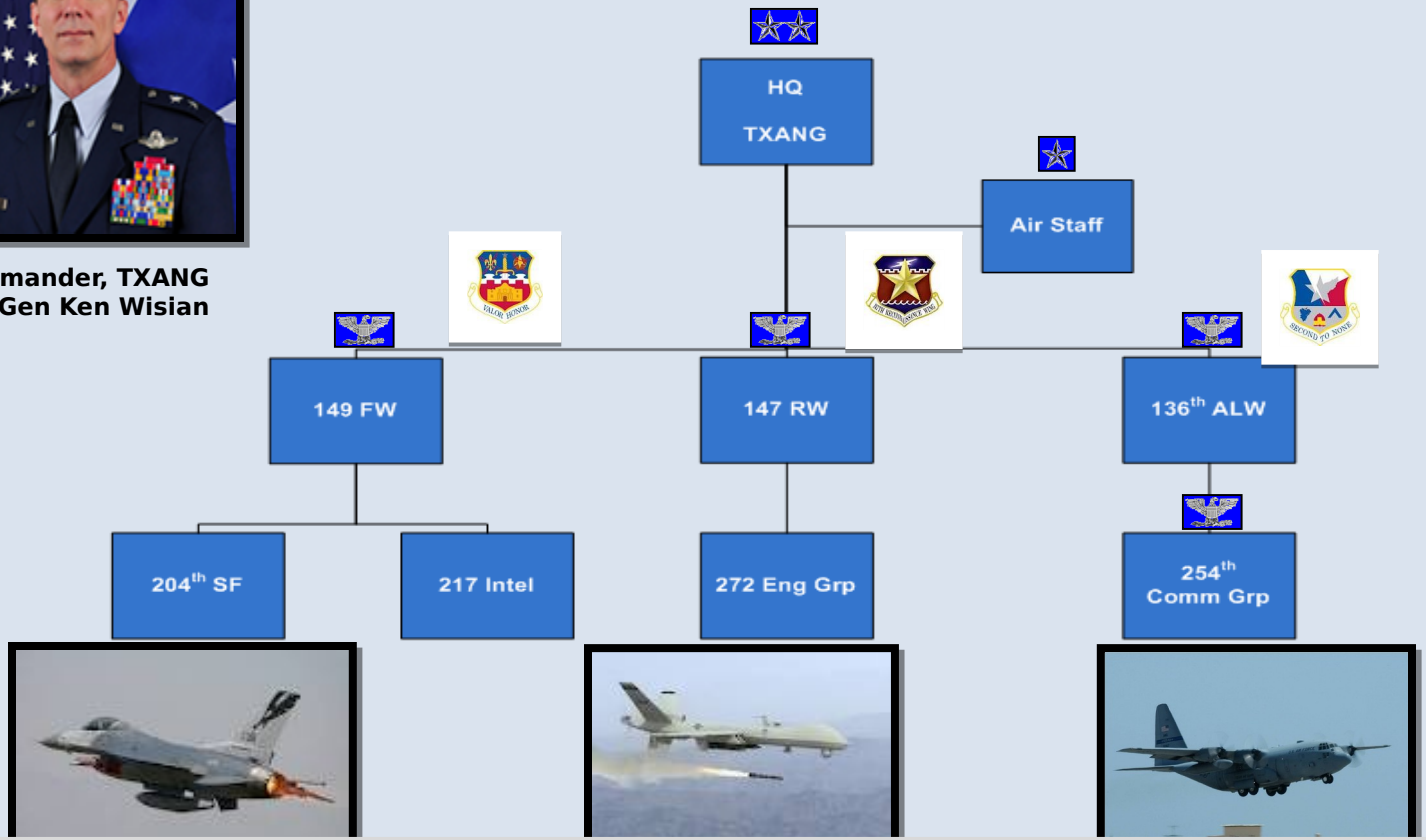
MISSION

The incredible versatility of the Texas Army National Guard enables us to respond to domestic emergencies, combat missions, counterdrug efforts, reconstruction missions and more—all with equal speed, strength and efficiency.

Texas Air National Guard Units

Commander, TXANG
Maj Gen Ken Wisian

3,028



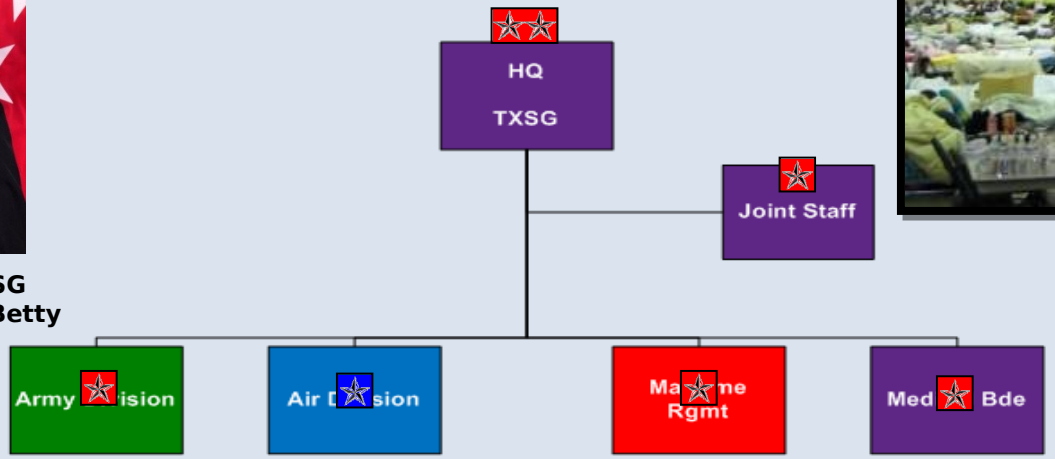
MISSION

Be ready to defend the homeland as the Governor's first responders and decisively take the fight to the enemy abroad with superb Leadership, relevant training, and equipped citizen-Airmen in our Total Force Core

Texas State Guard

Commander, TXSG
MG Gerald "Jake" Betty

2,300



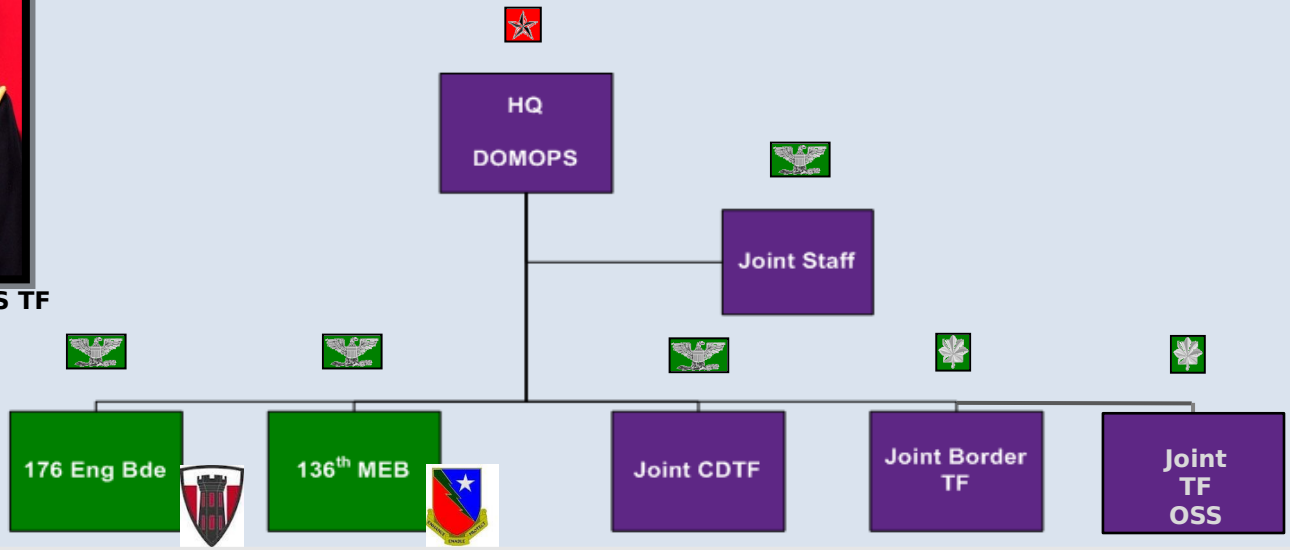
MISSION

Provide mission-ready military forces to assist state and local authorities in times of state emergencies; to conduct homeland security and community service activities under the umbrella of Defense Support to Civil Authorities; and to augment the Texas Army National Guard and Texas Air National Guard as required.

Domestic Operation Task Force

Commander, DOMOPS TF
BG Pat Hamilton

4,300



MISSION

Provide direction and oversight of Texas Military Forces throughout Texas and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region VI during emergencies and disasters as part of Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) or civil support operations to save lives, alleviate suffering and protect property. When authorized, provide mission command of Title 32 and Title 10 forces within a Dual Status Command for immediate and long term DSCA response at the request of the Governor of Texas

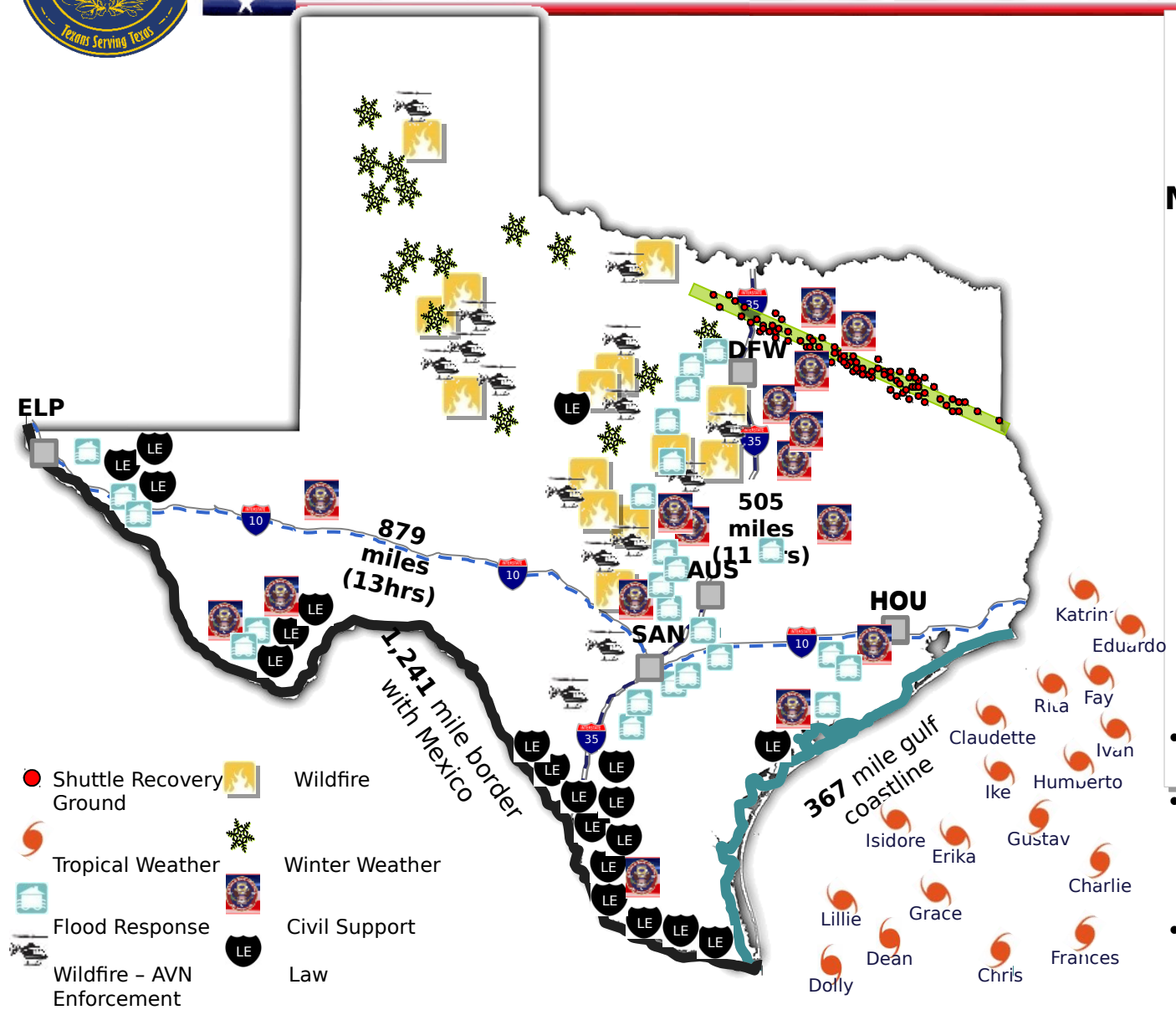
DOMOPS CIVIL SUPPORT MISSION

TEXAS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

TEXAS AIR NATIONAL GUARD

TEXAS STATE GUARD

DSCA Mission 2003-2015



DSCA Mission Summary

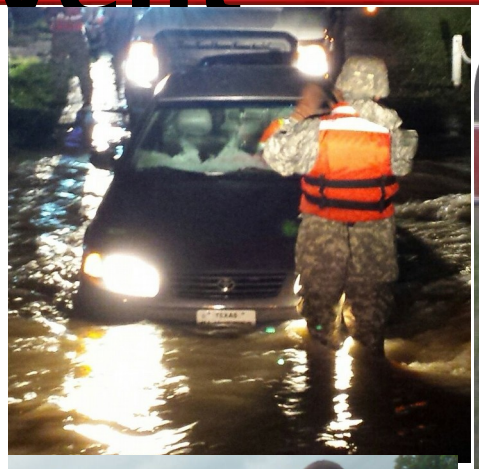
Event Type	# Missions
Tropical Weather	33
Flood Response	37
Wildfire – AVN	28
Wildfire – Ground	26
Winter Weather	23
Civil Support	47
Law Enforcement	22

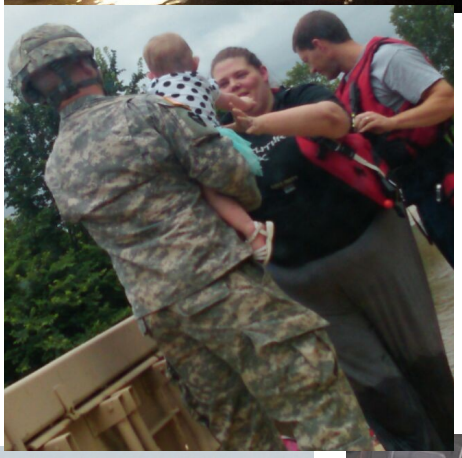
Over **564,000** Man-days since 2003

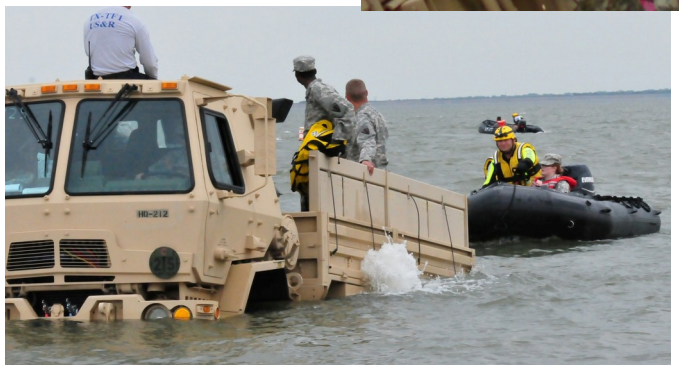
- Support Most State Agencies in Disaster Response
- Provide Advice, Planning, Personnel and Equipment in support of State's designated lead agency
- Provides Command & Control and coordinates all Military Support

2015 Texas Severe Weather Event

- 54 Missions -30 Locations
- 132 Rescues & Evacuations
- 9 Declared Disaster Districts
- 378 Troops
- 30 Days of SAD (7 May-5 Jun 15)
- Multiple Resource Types
  - ✓ Ground Search and Rescue
  - ✓ Aerial Search and Rescue
    - 8x UH-60s (2 from LAARNG)
    - 2x UH-72
    - 4x CH-47
  - ✓ Communications Support (TICP)
  - ✓ High Profile Vehicles
    - 2x SAR Ground Companies
    - 2x Ground Transpo Companies
  - ✓ Ground Search and Recovery
  - ✓ Dept. of Emergency Mgmt: Planners
  - ✓ Dept. of Emergency Mgmt: RSOI
  - ✓ Dept. of Emergency Mgmt: Liaisons
  - ✓ Local Government: Liaisons



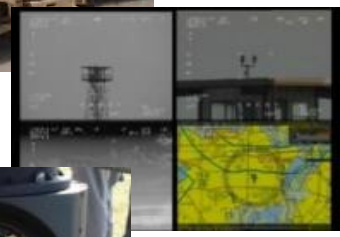




Border Support

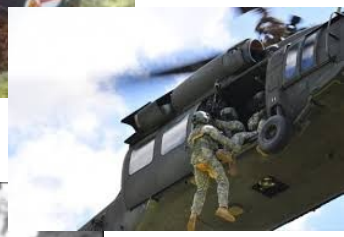
OSS

- Ramped up over 1,000 Guardsmen in less than 45 days in support of Department of Public Safety's Operation Strong Safety to secure the Texas Border assisting in the interdiction of over 15,000 illegal entries and seizure of over 337,000 lbs of narcotics. Support continues with 200 pax minimum through Aug 2015



Operation Phalanx

-Provided over 85 personnel in support to southwest Border conducting aerial detection and monitoring as well as criminal investigative support to disrupt and interdict trans-criminal organizations as well as drug trafficking organizations in support of Department of Homeland Security.



Joint Counter Drug Task Force

- Leverage unique military capabilities to assist Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) and Community Based Organizations (CBOs) in the disruption of illicit drug financing, production, transportation, distribution and promotes drug-free living through community-based education and prevention Our Joint Counter Drug

Questions?